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As a result of my better understanding of the details of the invention the subsidiary claims have been re-arranged and revised into a more logical format. As regards the intermediate pressure at which cooling is effected I note that Example 1 at page 27, line 9, refers to 300 psig and at page 28, lines 15 to 16, refers to 250 to 300 psig. Example 2 at page 28, line 32, has 185 psig. Page 11, line 17, has 153 psig. There does not seem to be any reference to a particular range other than 300 to 550 psig so I have adopted the formula "below 550 psig". I have omitted from the subsidiary claims specific reference to the fact that the tobacco is cooled to the saturation temperature of the carbon dioxide gas which is used or that the gas is in the saturated condition. I am not sure how much specific reference there is to this in the description though of course it is apparent in Figure 1. I also think that it may not be necessary in order to achieve the required condensation though as a practical matter it may be the most convenient way of controlling the process.

The new claims 13 to 18 correspond quite closely with the previous claims but claim 19 of the previous set is now claim 12.

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